

THE WEATHER.  
Partly cloudy tonight and  
Thursday, with rising tempera-  
ture.

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PADUCAH KENTUCKY. WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 24. 1906.

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## LIFE SENTENCE FOR ASSAULTING WOMAN

Chicago Jury Was Thirty Min-  
utes in Reaching Verdict.

Prominent Chicago Man Suicides  
While Despondent Over Ill  
Health.

BEDFORD MURDER NOT SOLVED

Chicago, Jan. 24.—It took a jury  
just thirty minutes to give Herman  
Smith, a negro, life imprisonment  
for a vicious assault on Mrs. Helen  
Salkeld. Smith is 19 years old.

**Ill Health Causes Suicide.**  
Chicago, Jan. 24.—Arthur Julius  
Magnus, vice-president of the A.  
Magnus & Sons company, dealers in  
brewers' supplies in Randolph street,  
and a son-in-law of Adolphus Busch,  
the St. Louis brewer, shot and killed  
himself last night in his home in  
Fullerton avenue. Magnus was 45  
years old. Despondency because of  
ill health is ascribed as the cause of  
the suicide.

**Another Victim Dies.**  
Boise, Idaho, Jan. 24.—Ollie Pow-  
ell, one of the four persons shot here  
by Henry Neubaumer, a wealthy  
Alaskan miner, who later killed him-  
self, died today.

**Bedford Suspect Arrested.**  
Denver, Col., Jan. 24.—William  
Barnes, who was arrested here last  
Saturday on suspicion of having mur-  
dered Sarah Shafer at Bedford, Ind.,  
about two years ago, was released  
from custody, there being no incrimin-  
ating evidence against him.

## SLANDER SUIT

WON BY FATHER AUER, OF ST.  
JOHNS, AFFIRMED.

Court of Appeals Does Not Think the  
Language Used in This Case  
Actionable.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 24.—The  
court of appeals, by Judge Paynter,  
today affirmed the McCracken cir-  
cuit court in the case of Mrs. Flo-  
rence Feast vs. Charles Auer.

The appellee is a catholic priest in  
charge of the St. Johns church  
near Paducah. The action was for  
slander.

The court here holds the words,  
"She is a dirty, vile woman," are  
not slanderous. The lower court  
dismissed the petition.

The court of appeals says: "The  
words of which complaint is made  
did not amount to a charge that the  
appellant had been guilty of adul-  
tery. They are not actionable."

## ANARCHISTS ACTIVE.

They Are Believed to Have Written  
Threatening Letters.

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 24.—U. S.  
secret service officers are at work to-  
day trying to connect the known an-  
archists of this town with threaten-  
ing letters seized in Western Pennsylv-  
ania which contained threats  
against the lives of Governors Pen-  
nypacker, of Pennsylvania, and Pati-  
son, of Ohio. Many letters are post-  
marked Patterson and indicate that  
the band which sent Bresler to Italy  
to kill the king is active again.

## Sanitary Inspectors May Start Out March 1st---Paducah is Very Healthful

The board of health will start the  
sanitary inspectors to work earlier  
this year than has been the custom—  
March 1st, as they fear that owing  
to the mild winter there will be  
more sickness this summer than  
usual.

"It is our intention to get the city  
in as good a condition as possible,"  
said a member of the board today,  
"and we shall make an early start.  
The council is with us on anything  
we do to improve sanitary condi-  
tions, they say, and we hope to have  
Paducah in fine shape when the  
warm weather arrives."

"Paducah is a very healthy town,  
all other reports to the contrary,  
notwithstanding,—it is as healthy

## DON'T WANT WOMEN.

To Vote in Russia, Says Democratic  
Convention.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.—A con-  
vention of the constitutional demo-  
cratic party in session here has re-  
solved to fight the proposition to be-  
stow the elective franchise upon wo-  
men, as urged in many parts of the  
empire.

FRANCE WILL HOLD CASTRO  
TO ANSWER FOR HIS  
ACTS.

Paris, Jan. 24.—The foreign  
office has made a formal state-  
ment explaining that the govern-  
ment has decided to act in the  
Venezuelan matter and in-  
tends to hold President Castro  
responsible not only for the acts  
already committed, but for  
those he may commit. Before  
action is taken against him,  
however, France will take her  
own time and method in deal-  
ing with the situation.

## HELENA BLEW UP ABOVE NATCHEZ

Pilot Drowned and Several of  
the Crew Were Injured.

Rees Lee Reported Still in Jeopar-  
dy Near Tiptonville, Tenn.

STACKER LEE TAKES PLACE.

Natchez, Miss., Jan. 24.—The boiler  
of the steamer Helena, a 50-ton  
towboat, exploded sixty-five miles  
above Natchez. Pilot Joseph Roth  
was thrown into the river and  
drowned. Captain Dan Scott and  
five white men of the crew were in-  
jured, one, Henry Shen, fatally. All  
of the men live in Natchez. The in-  
jured were taken to St. Joseph, La.  
The boat was owned by Will Conti,  
of Natchez and valued at \$2,500  
and uninsured.

A late report says that three ne-  
groes, Elijah White and two whose  
names could not be learned, were  
killed.

The injured:  
Henry Shea, fatally; Capt. Dan  
Scott, Nathan Morris, E. Wright,  
Sanders and Thos. Brown.

The explosion was caused by a  
frozen pipe through which water is  
pumped into the boiler. It was  
thought the pipe had been thawed  
out.

## Rees Lee in Bad Shape.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 24.—The  
Rees Lee, the Cincinnati packet of  
the Lee line, which sank at Tipton-  
ville Monday morning, is still in  
jeopardy. The river rose three feet  
yesterday, and it is believed that  
there is enough water in sight to  
bring the stage up three feet high-  
er. The officials of the company do  
not anticipate that the six feet rise  
since the boat settled will prevent  
the raising of it, but if it should go  
much higher and remain over her for  
any length of time, it might.

## Is Lord Mayor of Dublin.

Dublin, Jan. 24.—Joseph Patrick  
Nannetti, member of parliament in  
the Irish nationalist interest for the  
college division of Dublin and chief  
compositor of the Freeman's Jour-  
nal, was yesterday elected Lord May-  
or of Dublin.

## MAJORITY VOTE TO UNSEAT DEMOCRAT

Committee Decides No Election  
Held in One District.

Is in Louisville Where Fraud Al-  
leged to Have Been Com-  
mitted.

CHARGES AGAINST JUDGE MOSS

State House, Frankfort, Ky., Jan.  
24.—The contest committee in the  
case of Neal against Baxter, from the  
Fiftieth Legislative district of the  
city of Louisville, by a vote of 4 to 3,  
holds that no legal election was held  
in that district and declared vacant  
the seat held by Mr. Baxter.

Whether the house will vote to  
sustain the majority of the commit-  
tee or will accept a minority report  
signed by three of the seven members  
of the committee, will come before  
the body when the two reports will  
be submitted. Baxter is a Democrat.

## Adopt Clay Statue Bill.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 24.—The sen-  
ate today unanimously adopted the  
bill appropriating \$12,500 for re-  
pairs to the monument of Henry  
Clay, in Lexington cemetery, and re-  
placing on the statue of the great  
commoner the head which was re-  
stored by lightning several years  
ago.

## Filed Charges With Governor.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 24.—Charges  
against Judge M. J. Moss, of the  
Bell-Harlan district, have been filed  
with Gov. Beckham looking to im-  
peachment and negotiations have  
been opened with James Andrew  
Scott, the attorney, with a view to  
securing his services as the prosecu-  
tor of the charges.

The charges are said to have ema-  
nated from Harlan county. They  
came to the governor's office several  
days ago marked "Confidential" and  
private, and their receipt was ac-  
knowledgeed.

The charges have not yet been  
looked into. Charges have been  
made against Judge Moss before this.  
Some years ago Judge Hines, the  
state inspector, went to Judge Moss'  
district to look into some charges,  
but no further official action was  
taken.

A friend of Judge Moss today with-  
drew the charges which had been  
preferred by a man named Smith.

The friend wanted to examine  
them, and nothing further is expect-  
ed, as the charges are not supported  
by affidavits.

Gov. Beckham refuses to say what  
they are.

## FLOOD STAGE

At Pittsburg and Much Damage Has  
Resulted.

Johnstown, Pa., Jan. 24.—Exces-  
sive rains in this city and vicinity  
during the past 24 hours have caus-  
ed the rivers to rise to a flood stage  
and thousands of dollars' worth of  
damage has resulted.

## TODAY'S MARKETS

Wheat—	Open	Close.
May, .....	.86 3/4	.85 3/4
July, .....	.84 3/4	.83 3/4
Corn—		
May, .....	.45 3/4	.44 3/4
July, .....	.45 3/4	.45 3/4
Oats—		
May, .....	.31 3/4	.31 3/4
Pork—		
May, .....	14.20	14.05
Cotton—		
Jan., .....	11.25	11.21
Feb., .....	11.38	11.33
May, .....	11.51	11.43
July, .....	11.58	11.53
Stocks—		
I. C., .....	1.79	1.78 3/4
L. & N., .....	1.53 1/2	1.52 1/2
T. C. L., .....	1.58 1/2	1.57 1/2
Rdg., .....	1.61	1.55 1/2

## Local Market.

Country bacon—12 1/2 c.
Smoked sausage—12 1/2 c.
Green sausage—10 c.
Sweet potatoes—40 c. per bu.
Irish potatoes—80 c. per bu.
Chickens—30 c. to 35 c.
Eggs—17 c.
Butter—20 c.
Pork—6 c.
Beef—2 1/2 c. to 6 1/2 c.
Corn—50 c. per bu.
Hay—\$10 to \$12.
Loose hay—\$11 to \$13.
Lard—10 c.

## TOWN TOPICS HAS BEEN HIT VERY HARD

And Norman Hapgood is Going  
to Show it Up Completely.

It is Expected to Show That It  
Was Principally For Black-  
mailing.

CASE WILL END THURSDAY.

New York, Jan. 24.—A number of  
society women in this city are seri-  
ously considering the advisability  
of going on the witness-stand in  
Judge Fitzgerald's court to give tes-  
timony for the defense in the trial  
of Norman Hapgood, editor of Col-  
lier's Weekly, charged with criminal  
libel upon the complaint of Judge  
Joseph M. Deuel, of the court of  
special sessions.

Whether they will go on the wit-  
ness stand and tell what they know  
about Town Topics will depend upon  
future developments.

The women referred to were ap-  
proached by canvassers for "Fads  
and Fancies." Mr. Collier and his  
lawyers have been told just how  
these women were treated. When  
they refused to put up \$1,500 for  
"Fads and Fancies" items began to  
appear about them in Town Topics,  
and to these they took exception.

While the defense in the Hapgood  
case does not desire to subpoena  
these society women, it is expected  
that some of them will volunteer  
their testimony. What they had  
feared up to Friday was that they  
might be subjected to severe cross-  
examinations but when they learned  
that O. H. P. Belmont was allowed  
to leave the witness chair after testif-  
ying for the defense in the Hapgood  
case without being cross questioned  
by Mr. Jerome, several of these so-  
ciety women said they, too, would  
be willing to tell what their experiences  
had been.

There will be no request from  
counsel for the defendant to dismiss  
the case, as the Colliers are deter-  
mined to have all the evidence sub-  
mitted to the jury.

Mr. Osborne, in opening for the  
defense, will argue that the district  
attorney has not only failed to make  
out a case but that the defense has  
already proved its side. He will  
show how the two witnesses for the  
prosecution were compelled on cross-  
examination to practically admit the  
character of Town Topics.

An effort will be made to induce  
E. Clarence Jones to go on the stand.  
Mr. Jones, according to the testimo-  
ny of Col. Mann, loaned him \$10,000.  
The defense insists that Col. Mann  
got this money from Mr. Jones a few  
days before he left for Europe last  
May, and that two days before he  
sailed he personally dictated a very  
nice paragraph about Mr. Jones. Be-  
fore that Mr. Jones had not fared  
so well in the columns of Town Top-  
ics.

The trial, it is expected, will be  
concluded about Thursday, and it is  
thought it will go to the jury that  
day. The defense counts on a ver-  
dict of not guilty.

Just what Mr. Jerome will do in  
connection with the charge that  
Judge Deuel has violated the charter,  
which forbids a judge of special ses-  
sion from engaging in other business  
is not known positively. It is said,  
however, that the entire matter will  
be made the subject of further in-  
quiry, both by the grand jury and  
by the appellate division of the su-  
preme court.

## CHINESE NOBLES

Reach Washington and Are Guests  
of the State Department.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The im-  
perial Chinese commission sent to  
this country to study American gov-  
ernment methods, arrived here today  
visited the state department and  
later took luncheon at the Chinese  
legation and were entertained at the  
legation. The members of the com-  
mission were cordially greeted at the  
state department.

## Alleged Sale of Mortgaged Property.

Justice Charles Emery yesterday  
afternoon issued a warrant for S. A.  
Miller, of the lower part of the coun-  
ty charging him with selling mort-  
gaged property. The property con-  
sists of a wagon, two cows, one bull  
and one mule. It is alleged the Par-  
lin-Orendorf Co. held a mortgage  
on the property and when it sent  
out to foreclose the mortgage that  
the property was not found. The  
warrant followed. The arrest will  
probably be made today.

FOR FOUR DAYS  
Passengers Were Cooped Up on a  
Snow-Bound Train.

Durango, Col., Jan. 24.—A passen-  
ger train on the Denver and Rio  
Grande railroad that had been snow-  
bound on Cumbres range since last  
Thursday reached Durango yester-  
day. The passengers who were cooped  
up in the train four days, obtained  
provisions and coal from the section  
house and suffered only inconveni-  
ence.

13,000 NATIVES OF SAMOAN  
ISLAND ARE HOMELESS.

Berlin, Jan. 24.—Advices  
state all the villages on the  
Island of Savay, one of the Sa-  
moan group in the Pacific ocean,  
were destroyed by a volcanic  
eruption. All the plantations  
were ruined and 13,000 native  
inhabitants are in the most ex-  
treme distress. Savay is a Ger-  
man possession.

## INSURGENTS LOSE IN STATEHOOD FIGHT

The Debate Lasted Until 3 This  
Afternoon.

The Senate to Favorably Report Isle  
of Pines Treaty, Confirming  
Cuba's Ownership.

CANAL REPORT MADE PUBLIC

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24.—All  
the excitement in the house today  
was over the final fight between the  
statehood and anti-statehood forces.  
The debate on the bill continued un-  
til 3 o'clock. The first test vote  
showed that the insurgents were  
beaten.

## The Isle of Pines Bill.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The sen-  
ate committee on foreign relations  
has agreed to report favorably the  
Isle of Pines treaty confirming Cuba's  
title to the island, without im-  
portant amendments.

## Lock Canal Cost \$147,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The essen-  
tial features of the minority report  
of the board of consulting engineers  
of the Panama canal, which is the  
one favored by Chief Engineer Ste-  
vens, and which will probably be  
adopted, was made public today. It  
provides for a lock canal at an eleva-  
tion of eighty-five feet, with a flight  
of three locks on the Colon side, and  
two on the Panama side, the cost  
estimated at \$147,000,000.

## \$250,000 BLAZE

Was Caused in Norfolk Cotton Dis-  
trict By Wires.

Norfolk, Jan. 24.—Fire caused by  
electric wires this morning complet-  
ely destroyed the International Com-  
press company's immense compresses  
and several hundred bales of cotton.  
Jacob Addison, a white laborer,  
who was sleeping in the compress,  
was cremated. The entire cotton  
district was threatened for a time.  
Loss is estimated at \$250,000.

## FORMER PADUCAHAN

Is Interested in a New Shoe Factory  
For Hopkinsville.

Hopkinsville is felicitating itself  
over the prospects of the establish-  
ment of a shoe factory in that city.  
The Commercial club has the propo-  
sition in hand and thinks it will be  
able to swing it. Mr. Matt Rawls,  
formerly of Paducah, is one of those  
interested in it.

## Applicants for Oak Grove Sexton.

The cemetery committee of the al-  
dermen and council appoint the sex-  
ton at Oak Grove. There are several  
applicants for the position, and the  
committee will meet in a few days  
to make the appointment. The mem-  
bers of the committee are Coun-  
cillmen Hubbard, Hank and Farley,  
and Aldermen Meyers, Williamson  
and Van Meter.

## Gen. Wheeler Holding His Own.

Brooklyn, Jan. 24.—General Joe  
Wheeler, who is ill with pneumonia,  
is holding his own today. He is a  
little weaker, but his friends are  
hopeful.

## PASSENGERS DROWN ON STEAMER WRECK

Vessel Goes On Rocks in a Fog  
Off Victoria.

She Was Left Grinding to Pieces  
With Other Passengers Await-  
ing Rescue.

DISASTER IN A DESOLATE SPOT.

FULLY 100 LIVES LOST IN  
THE GALE.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24.—  
Early this morning a message  
received from Cape Beale, near  
which point the ill-fated steam-  
er Valencia lies on the rocks of  
Vancouver Island, a hopeless  
wreck; that the gale has in-  
creased in force, and there is  
little hope that any of the per-  
sons supposed to be aboard can  
be saved.

The steamer is fast going to  
pieces under the terrible pound-  
ing of the great seas, and up to  
3 o'clock this morning only 17  
persons of the 150 known to be  
aboard when the steamer struck  
had reached shore safely.

In the opinion of the seamen  
there is little doubt but that  
fully 100 lives are lost.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24.—With  
ninety-four passengers and about six-  
ty in her crew, the steamer Valencia  
went ashore about ten miles east of  
Cape Beale in a thick fog about 12  
o'clock last night. She is on a rock  
against a high cliff and is likely to  
go to pieces at any time. One boat's  
crew of six men reached Cape Beale  
about 3 p. m. today. The survivors  
say that a great number were drown-  
ed in trying to leave the ship.

Nine men got ashore about fifteen  
miles from here. Two men are pris-  
oners on the face of the cliff and  
cannot get up or back to the ship.  
The sea will likely reach them when  
the tide is high. The men report  
pathetic scenes. One woman drop-  
ped her child in the sea in trying  
to hand it to her husband. A little  
boy of five is running around the  
deck trying to find his mother who  
is among those drowned.

There are still about 125 persons  
on the ship, with almost certain  
death staring them in the face. The  
steamer Queen left here at 5 p. m.  
for the wreck.

At 6:30 p. m. the meteorological  
station reports that a gale has been  
in progress on the island coast for  
the past two days off Vancouver Is-  
land and a velocity of forty miles an  
hour was reported. A tremendous  
sea sweeps in to the rocks near Cape  
Beale in heavy weather with high  
breakers.

Captain James Gaudin, agent of  
marine, who received the first mes-  
sage of the disaster from the light-  
house keeper at Carmanah Bay, when  
asked his opinion as to the probable  
scene of the wreck, said it was as  
far as he could judge from dispatches  
at Pachena Bay, which is about  
half way between Clo-Oose and  
Cape Beale. Separating the two  
points is a stretch of coast line prob-  
ably ten miles long.

Slightly nearer Cape Beale that  
Clo-Oose is a bay known as Pachena,  
at the entrance to which are the no-  
torious seabird rocks, on which the  
steamer Michigan was wrecked about  
ten years ago. Capt. Gaudin believes  
it is on these self-same rocks that  
the Valencia has struck. The rocks  
stand out bold and treacherous, and  
as they stand where both current  
and wind seem to concentrate their  
greatest force from the open Pacific,  
a landing unless under most favora-  
ble conditions, would appear impos-  
sible. If the ship came to grief in  
this locality she would be nearer  
Cape Beale than Clo-Oose, which ac-  
counts for the survivors reaching the  
cape.

"In the absence of information,"  
said Captain Gaudin, "it is difficult  
to conjecture what brought the steam-  
er from her course, but in my opin-  
ion a strong southeasterly gale blow-  
ing at the rate of fifty miles an hour,  
as the reports state, and the great  
current which sweeps toward the  
coast were responsible for driving  
the steamer from her course."

## Destroyed Business Section.

Lawton, Okla., Jan. 24.—Fire at  
Waurika, Oklahoma, fifty miles  
south of here destroyed business  
section. Loss, \$50,000.